

Louisville Ky
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Prof Berth

Dear Sir

I have frequently
to reduce no inconsiderable amounts
of Chloride of Silver - I have
usually employed the process
adopted at the mint, by reducing
with Zinc - I find however, that
the silver does not fuse together
very readily what can be the
reason? Does it occur at the
mint? if so what is the
remedy - An answer to this
at your leisure will very much
oblige you.

Respectfully

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asking about melting Silver
at the Mint.
